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SUBJECT: FINAL PAYMENT FOR WORLD VISION EMPLOYEES

1. DESK OFFICER CONTACTED GRAHAM IRVINE, INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR FOR WORLD VISION, MONROVIA, CALIFORNIA, RE ORGANIZATION'S CHECK FOR 13,128 DOLLARS TO COVER FINAL PAYMENT ITS EMPLOYEES IN LAOS. ACCORDING TO IRVINE, CHECK BOUNCED BECAUSE WORLD VISION'S BANGKOK OFFICE KNOWINGLY CLOSED THE ACCOUNT AT THE BANK OF AMERICA TO CUT-OFF THE CHECK. IRVINE SAID WORLD VISION'S BANGKOK OFFICE DID THIS BECAUSE THE LAO EMPLOYEE WHO SIGNED THE CHECK (HE HAD SIGNATURE AUTHORITY FOR THE ACCOUNT) HAD NOT BEEN SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZED TO PAY OUT FINAL PAYMENTS TO EMPLOYEES IN LAOS. IRVINE FURTHER SAID THE STOP PAYMENT ORDER ON THE CHECK BLOCKED AN ATTEMPT BY WORLD VISION'S LAO STAFF TO EXTORT MONEY FROM THE ORGANIZATION. WORLD VISION NOW HAS NO INTENTION OF COVERING ITS CHECK, FEELING THAT ITS ACTIONS WERE JUSTIFIED IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES.

2. IRVINE PROMISED TO PROVIDE A COPY OF THE FULL REPORT TO WORLD VISION'S HEADQUARTERS ON THE CLOSE-OUT OF OPERATIONS IN LAOS. WILL POUCH COPY. INGERSOLL

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